

New provost Harvey J. Corson will speak at 121st Commencement

Provost designate Harvey J. Corson will make his first public appearance before the Gallaudet community on Friday, May 11, when he addresses the 1990 graduating class at the University's 121st Commencement.

An estimated 310 graduates will receive degrees at the ceremony, which begins at 10 a.m. in the Field House. Faculty members will assemble at 9:15 a.m. on the first floor of Hall Memorial Building (or, in the event of bad weather, in the basement of the Field House). Family and friends are asked to be in their seats by 9:45 a.m.

Dr. Corson, who will be the main speaker for the commencement exercises, was recently appointed as the University's third provost and will begin his duties here on Aug. 1. He is a Gallaudet graduate, superintendent of the Louisiana School for the Deaf, and a well-known educator, author, and activist in numerous deafness-related organizations.

The University will award honorary doctor of laws degrees during the ceremony, to John E.D. Ball and Richard M. Phillips.

Ball, a native of Scotland and president of the National Captioning Institute, Inc., is credited with masterminding the feasibility of closed captioning and making it a reality, giving deaf people access to television.

Phillips ('40), the first Gallaudet alumnus to receive an earned doctorate

in education, dean emeritus of Student Affairs, and the person responsible for developing and implementing the University's first full-service student life program, has distinguished himself as a teacher, counselor, and role model for young deaf people.

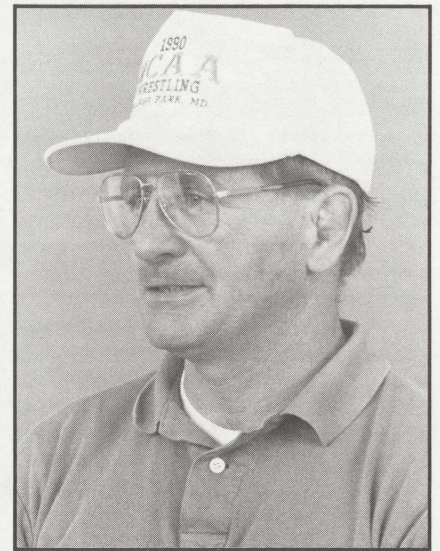
In addition, Shirley P. Stein, who retired from the Department of Communication Arts in 1988 after 31 years of teaching, research, and public service, will be recognized as professor emeritus.

The Graduate Hooding and Awards Ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 10, at 4 p.m. in Elstad Auditorium. A reception will follow under a tent adjacent to Ely Center.

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(LEFT) Dr. Yerker Andersson receives the Tower Clock Dedication from Gail Edwards during Awards Day. (RIGHT) Marty Willigan, new grounds manager who has worked at Gallaudet more than 20 years, received the Gallaudetian of the Year Award.



President King Jordan hosts an April 23 luncheon for secretaries and their guests during Professional Secretaries Week. Other activities were held during the week.

Faculty honored at Awards Day

There was standing room only in Chapel Hall as the 1990 Awards Day ceremony began on April 26.

In step with the ceremony's theme, "Recognizing the Community of Excellence," faculty and student organizations recognized individual achievement with 52 different awards.

Commenting on the large turnout for the event, President Jordan said, "Seeing people like yourselves who are examples of excellence, examples of hard work, that makes my day."

While the ceremony consisted primarily of student organizations honoring students for their contributions, several faculty and staff members were recognized as well.

Dr. Yerker Andersson, professor of sociology, received both Alpha Sigma Pi's Jonathon Hall Award and the Tower Clock Dedication for his teaching and international advocacy. Alpha Sigma Pi also recognized Dr. Mary Malzkahn, associate professor of government, as Mother of the Year, and Ann Graziadei, instructor of physical education, as Teacher of the Year.

Dr. Robert Williams, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, received the Educator of the Year Award from Delta Phi Epsilon. Phi Kappa Zeta's Woman of the Year Award went to NWC English instructor Hilary Ainbender.

The Gallaudetian of the Year Award, presented by Kappa Sigma, went to Marty Willigan, grounds manager with the Physical Plant and wrestling coach.

The Student Body Government chose Student Life Director Dwight Benedict to receive its Faculty/Staff of the Year Award, and the Beethoven Society gave Music Program Director Diane Merchant an award of appreciation for her work with musical activities here.

Faculty approve communication policy

Changes to Gallaudet's communication policy in the Faculty Guidelines were voted in by a 2-1 margin by the University Faculty at an April 30 meeting in "Ole Jim."

The new policy, which includes changes proposed by Dr. Harvey Goodstein and approved by the faculty, was developed in light of growing controversy on campus concerning the previous method of simultaneous communication (SimCom). The Faculty Senate did considerable work and made several revisions over the past few months to develop a policy that would be acceptable to the majority of the campus community.

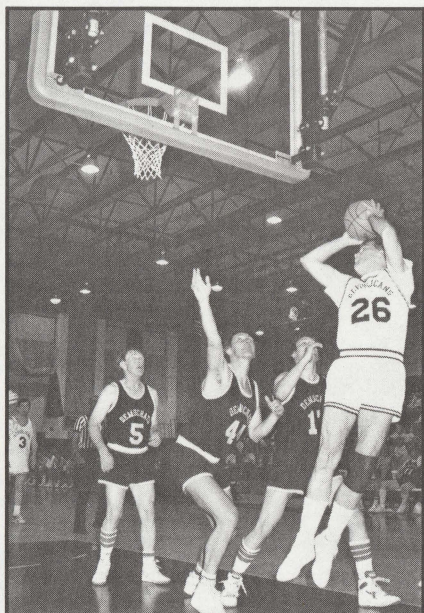
Somewhat surprisingly, the new policy was approved by the University Faculty with minimal discussion. "A lot of people thought it would be an explosive meeting," said Faculty Senate Chairman William Marshall afterwards. "But it wasn't; it came off very well."

The new communication policy, in its entirety, reads:

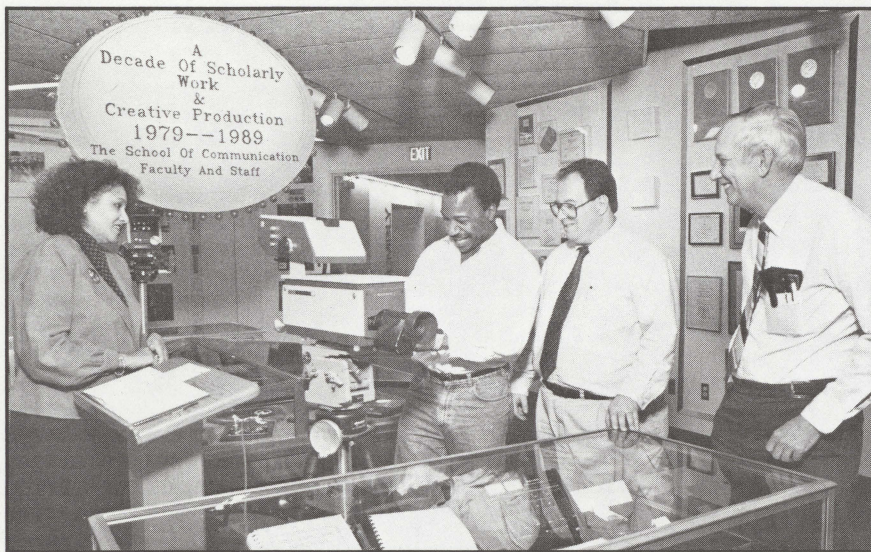
"The University Faculty recognizes that the Gallaudet academic community includes persons who depend on a variety of communication modes and that a major purpose of instruction is the communication of information and ideas. Gallaudet's mission as a unique educational institution is inextricably bound to the need for accessible and direct communication among students, faculty, and staff.

"Historically, the University has integrated sign language into its educational programs. The University Faculty is now committed to a working model of a bilingual (English and American Sign Language), multicultural community where deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing people can learn and work together without communication barriers.

"The centrality of communication at
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Tom Ridge (R-Pa.) goes for the hoop at the fourth annual Congressional Charity Basketball Game, held April 24 at the Field House, while #44, Bob Mrazek (D-NY), attempts to block the shot. The Democrats won 73-65, placing them 3-1 in the series. The Frederick C. Schreiber Institute got \$5,000 from the game to develop leadership programs for deaf people.



Dean of the School of Communication Dr. Njeri Nuru (left) talks with Ves Bennett and Jim Dellon of TV, Film, and Photography, and Fred Brandt of Audiology, who helped develop the special exhibit of "Scholarly Work and Creative Productions." Because of positive feedback, the exhibit, coordinated by Jeff Grandel of Theatre Arts, will remain on display in the Learning Center through graduation.

New policy stresses English, ASL

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Gallaudet permeates all of our programs and services. Accessible communication is the right of all members of the Gallaudet community and the people we serve. The University Faculty encourages the learning and clear use of English and American Sign Language in all aspects of University life to meet the needs of the individuals we serve.

"To facilitate meaningful visual communication, the Faculty is expected to use clear sign communication with or without voice in the classroom, in faculty meetings, and in meetings of like nature as well as when communicating with individual students."

Goodstein's amendment, incorporated in the above policy, included deleting Sign Supported English and other "visually oriented communication languages" and, instead, emphasizing that English and American Sign Language are to be used, "with or without voice." In a written rationale attached to the proposed revision, he noted that "it is high time that we do away with terms such as 'Sign Supported English,' SSS, SEE, MCE, and their many other silly permutations—and stick to the 'basics.'" He also noted that in the communication policy, the term ASL should be used in an "all-inclusive sense, even including signs expressed

in the English word order, with or without voice—in much the same way many deaf and hard of hearing people communicate among themselves and with hearing people."

Announcements

"Finance Fundamentals for Non-Financial Managers," a practical seminar focusing on financial concepts and how they relate to the work environment, will be presented by Gallaudet's Management Institute on Wednesday, May 9, from 1-5 p.m. in the "Ole Jim" Conference Room. The course fee is \$65. To register or for more information, call x5900 (TDD).

The annual KDES Science Fair will be held the week of May 14-18 in the mall area of Kendall School. Students in all departments at Kendall, and the Child Development Center, will participate. The campus is invited to visit the fair any afternoon, Monday through Thursday. (Projects from all departments will be set up by Thursday.) Awards and certificates will be presented on Friday, May 18, at 9 a.m. to the Primary Department participants and at 12:35 to Intermediate and Middle School participants.

The American Field Service's Intercultural Exchange Chapter at MSSD continues to look for a summer host family (June 14 to Sept. 4) for its exchange student, New Zealander Brendan Cooper. Anyone who is interested or knows someone who may be asked to call Will Verbits or Judy Shore, x5375.

A Call for Papers has been issued for the 1990 National Conference on Adults with Special Learning Needs, set for Aug. 14-18 near Orlando, Fla. This year's theme, "Building the Movement... A Galaxy of Adult Learning Events," will focus on many groups, including deaf and hard of hearing people, where conditions exist that may interfere with the learning process. Anyone interested in giving presentations, panels, poster sessions, or model program demonstrations must submit proposal forms to Dr. Boris Bogatz, College for Continuing Education, by May 15. For more information call Bogatz at x5044.

Renowned neuropsychologist speaks about learning disorders at NWC

Northwest Campus faculty and staff members learned about the brain and learning disabilities at a special April 19 seminar sponsored by the Unique Tutoring Program. The seminar featured renowned neuropsychologist Dr. William Stixrud, who spoke on "Neuropsychology of Learning and Learning Disorders."

Stixrud, who is considered an expert on learning disabilities, gave an overview of brain-behavior relationships and discussed the three dimensions and four lobes of the brain, and how they are related to behavior and learning. He touched on the various areas of the brain that are assessed in neuropsychology and discussed brain dysfunction in the left and right hemispheres and the frontal lobe.

In a follow-up discussion Dr. Catherine Andersen asked Stixrud, "How can we as teachers apply this information in the classroom? How can we better help our students?" Stixrud replied that teachers can help their students by increasing the structure and focus of their teaching. It is especially important that teachers teach in a sequential manner, but that they also maintain flexibility in their thinking and how they run their classroom, he said.

Stixrud is a consultant to the Nation-

al Institutes of Health's Division of Neuropsychology, a member of the supervisory faculty at Children's Hospital National Medical Center, and an assistant clinical professor of Psychiatry at The George Washington University Medical School.

A follow-up seminar is anticipated. In addition, Northwest Campus school psychologist Pam Rush has been studying under Stixrud for two semesters, and this fall she will teach a graduate course entitled "Educational Diagnosis and Intervention" at the Northwest Campus.

Classified Ads

CLASSIFIED ADS are printed free as a service to Gallaudet faculty and staff. They must be submitted in writing only to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37. Ads may be run for a maximum of two weeks, if requested and if space permits. The deadline for submitting advertisements is Friday, 10 days before the desired publication. Ads received by Friday, May 11, will appear in the May 21 issue.

FREE: 2 8-wk.-old male kittens. Call Sharon Legler, x5114, or 535-1167 eves.

FOR RENT: House w/large screened porch in "The Pines," of Rehoboth Beach, walk to beach, 4 BRs, 2 1/2 baths, full kitchen w/DW, outside shower, avail. Sun.-Fri. July 8-13, 22-29, and Aug. 19-24, \$725/session. Call Judy Cox, x5220.

FOR SALE: '79 Chevrolet Beauville van, seats 8, 105K mi., 30K mi. on motor and transmission, runs well, \$950. Call Ron, x5535 (V/TDD), x5553 (TDD), or 989-9220 (TDD) eves.

FOR SALE: IBM Proprinter X24, never used, still in original packing, \$350. Call x5036.

WANTED: Nonsmoking female to share semi-furnished, spacious 3-BR apt. in Silver Spring, Md.; 1 room w/2 big closets; W/D, AC, DW, carpet, pool; near bus routes and shopping; avail. June 1; \$150 security deposit, \$282/mo. plus 1/3 util. Call Polly, 434-7280 (TDD) eves., or Jamie, 832-6681 (TDD) days.

FOR RENT: Renovated 1-BR apt. on W. Va. Ave. NE, new shower, kitchen, living room, and porch. Call Mr. White, 399-5714 (V), or Etenat Zegeye, 387-5371 (V).

WANTED: Responsible, quiet, nonsmoking woman to rent furnished bedroom in Kettering/Largo, Md.; must like cats and have own transportation, security deposit required, \$300/mo. inc. util. Call Cindy, 350-5268 (TDD) or 722-5873 (TDD).

FOR RENT: Fenwick Island bay front home, 3 mi. from Atlantic Ocean, 3 BR, 2 bath, kitchen, full view of sunsets, \$70/night or \$425/wk. Call Roz, x5351.

WANTED: Mature nonsmoker to rent 1 BR in Springfield, Va., inc. private bath, AC, kitchen privileges, laundry; approx. 45 min. to Kendall Green, express bus to Pentagon on corner, carpools avail.; avail. July 1; \$350/mo. plus 1/3 util. and \$175 security deposit. Call Jim, x5505, or Shelly House, 272-3325 (TDD) days, or 569-1712 (TDD) eves.

Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

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